



GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

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Testimony in support of Raised Bill No. 6331, AAC Technical Amendments for Tabulators

Senator Slossberg, Representative Morin, and members of the committee:

Good morning. My name is Anthony Esposito. I am a registrar of voters in Hamden, and presently serve as President of the Registrars of Voters Association of Connecticut. I appear before today to urge you to seriously consider this legislative proposal which will bring our statutes up to date and reflect the current way in which we conduct our elections. Some 5 years ago we initiated the use of optical scan tabulators and mark sense paper ballots for all our elections and primaries and discontinued the use of the "lever machines". Yet our statutes make no mention of tabulators. Our present statutes still speak of levers, ballots strips, and machine mechanics; which we do not have. It is imperative that the statutes be changed/revised, amended so that we will henceforth be in compliance.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill which our organization supports. I would be pleased to answer any questions you may have.